LIFELONG LEARNING MARFORRES

COLLEGE 101

2014

OVERVIEW

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What is Tuition Assistance?

- Money for voluntary education for active duty personnel at colleges and trade schools
- 4,500 per FY
- Semester (250.00), Quarter (166.67) or Clock (16.67) Hours (NO FEES/NO BOOKS)
- Submit 30 days PRIOR to the start of class via WEB TA at https://myeducation.netc.navy.mil

Who is Eligible?

- Active Duty
  - Officers: must have two years of service obligation remaining (no EAS in the system) this includes Reserve Officers

- Reservists on a set of active duty orders (ADOS, Mobilization) – Class must end before your orders are complete

Additional Eligibility Requirements

- Must have completed two years on active duty
- Cannot use TA while in a training status (schools)
- Must provide a degree plan (from the school)
- First time users must start with one course
- Limit of two classes at a time for all students
- No courses can overlap
- Any issues must be resolved before more TA is used
- No duplicate degrees or double majors
- Authorized for up to the Master’s degree level

How to Get Tuition Assistance

- Attend TA Brief/Read the SOU
- Provide a Degree Plan/SOCMAR to the Ed Office
- Submit via WEB TA at https://myeducation.netc.navy.mil
- Have your request (forwarded) by your Commanding Officer or Approver
- Classes will be approved at the start of each FY quarter (Oct, Jan, Apr, July) until funds run out

TA Application Form "NETPDTC 1560/3 Rev. 09/07"

☐ 2. Vocational/Technical

☒ 3. Associate

☐ 4. Bachelor's

☐ 5. Master's

☐ 6. Doctoral

☐ 7. Professional (i.e., MD, JD, DDS, etc)

☐ 8. Continuing Education (CEU/Certificate) (Navy Only)

Do you have a degree plan for the goal listed above?
☐ Yes ☒ No

(yyyy / mm)

School Issuing Degree:

Have you applied for graduation? ☐ Yes ☐ No **(Select only one)**

(Complete this section for Academic Goals #3 & #4 only)

Do you have a SOCNAV/SOCMAR Agreement? ☐ Yes ☐ No **(Select only one)**

If yes, SOCNAV/SOCMAR College:

Are you enrolled in a Navy College Program Distance Learning Partnership (NCPDLP) **(Select only one)**
Degree Program? ☐ Yes ☐ No If yes, NCPDLP School:

Course Request Information:

School Name: MY COLLEGE

Term Start Date: 2006 / 03 / 1 (yyyy/mm/dd)

Term End Date: 2006 / 05 / 30 (yyyy/mm/dd)

School Location: (not street address)
City: ARLINGTON
State: VA (2 Character - ex: FL)
Country: USA

Use the following information to enter the correct codes in the Course Description Blocks Below:

(CD): COURSE DESCRIPTION
(Use #1-3 to identify where or how course is taught. Use #4 when applicable)

1 = On-Base (any military base)
2 = Off-Base
3 = Distance Learning
4 = Credit by Examination
5 = Deployed (Marine Corps only)

(CL):COURSE LEVEL

H = High School
E = Continuing Education/Certificate
D = Developmental/Prep (Navy Only)
V = Vocational/Technical
L = Lower Level (Freshman/Sophomore)
U = Upper Level (Junior/Senior)
G = Graduate Level

(PIM): PRIMARY INSTRUCTIONAL MODE

C = CD ROM
I = Instructor
P = Paper Based
T = TeleTraining
V = Video Tape
W = Web/Internet

(CU): CREDIT UNIT HOURS/TYPE

S = Semester
Q = Quarter
C = Clock
K = Carnegie (High School)
N = Continuing Education Units (Navy only)

Course Description Blocks. List one course per line.

COURSE Dept	COURSE Number	COURSE TITLE	CD codes above	CL codes above	PIM codes above	CU codes above	# of Credit Hours	Tuition Cost Per Credit Hour	Course Fee	Total Course Cost *
MA	100	COLLEGE ALGEBRA	2	L	I	S	3.00	100.00	0.00	$300.00
EN	101	ENGLISH ESSENTIALS	2	L	I	S	3.00	100.00	0.00	$300.00
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Term/Semester Fee: List fee other than course fee. (example: library fee) $0.00

TOTAL of all courses and fees: $600.00

* (Right Click on the "Total Course Cost" and "TOTAL of all courses and fees" and select "!Update Field" to calculate.)

COMMAND APPROVAL: For the Applicant's Commanding Officer, Executive Officer, or Officer in Charge: The applicant's present or anticipated military duties will permit him/her to attend and complete the course(s) listed above.

Filling out the TA Form

- Course Level (CL)
- 100-200 = L (lower level)
- 300-400 = U (upper level)
- 500-800 = G (graduate or PhD)
- TA does not pay for (D) developmental courses (099)

- Academic Goal
- High School = 12 years
- Lower level = Associate's (14)
- Upper level = Bachelor's (16)
- Graduate = Master's (17)

- CU =
- "S"emester = most schools – 3 credits or less each class
- "Q"uarter = some schools - 4,5, 6 credits each class
- "C"lock = generally only used for certificate programs

- Classes should look like this
- Hist 101 – US History – 750.00 3, L, W, 3 250.00 (CD) (CL), PIM, (CU), $

Contact your Education Office
mfreducation@usmc.mil

- Need to change your TA form
- Need to cancel a class
- Need to withdraw from a class
- Get a letter from Pensacola or a bill from the school
- Just have a question

Student Responsibilities

- Submit TA request BEFORE class start date
- Provide the school a signed copy of your form printed from WEB TA
- Provide grades to MFREducation@usmc.mil within 30 days of course completion
- Failed grades must be paid in full or have a DD139 – Pay checkage in place before requesting more TA

Grades/Pay Checkages

- Must be provided to MFREducation@usmc.mil at the end of each class
- Failure to provide them may result in one or all of the following:
  - “no grade” letter to you from Pensacola
  - “letter of indebtedness” to your CO
  - “DD139” involuntary pay check-age – please monitor your LES each month – it can take up to two years for checkages
  - All of the following must be repaid – “F”, “W” if not waived, “I” – if not changed to a passing grade within 6 months

Student Share

- If there is a student share showing on your TA form – it is your responsibility to pay this directly to the school
- Can be paid with the following:
  - Pell Grants
  - Montgomery GI Bill “Top-Up” – you must apply to VA for your GI Bill benefits in advance

Pell Grants

- Should only be used to pay for:
  - tuition
  - fees
  - books
- To apply must fill out the FAFSA form at http://www.fafsa.ed.gov
- **Scholarships and grants do not have to be repaid!!**

MGIB “Top-Up”

- Can only be used concurrently with TA
- Must have contributed to MGIB ($1,200)
- Does not pay for books
- You can alternate between using “Top-Up and full MGIB
- www.gibill.va.gov

SMART Transcript
(JST) Joint Services Transcript

- SMART transcripts are updated as you complete military training
- Schools decide what credits they will take
- SMART transcripts are free
- WEB TA will allow you to send an “official transcript” directly to your school
- If your SMART needs updated contact mfreducation@usmc.mil

SOCMAR/DEGREE PLAN
(Service Members Opportunity Colleges)

- A plan that evaluates all prior learning
- Reduces transfer complications
- Guarantees award of the degree when the requirements are met
- There are over 1,800 schools in the program
- Students who have completed 2 classes should provide the SOCMAR or Degree Plan to the ed office

Military Classification Testing

- Defense Language Aptitude Battery (DLAB)
  - Demonstrates the ability to learn a foreign language
  - Required for lat moves to 0211 MOS
- Defense Language Proficiency Test (DLPT)
  - Demonstrates proficiency in a foreign language
  - May be eligible for FLPP (ref: MARADMIN 220/04)
  - College Credit granted on SMART
- **Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB)**
  - May be possible to “retake” ask if you have questions
  - May be a requirement for reenlistment or lat move

POC: Ms. Isley Lundgren (G2) 697-7211

Helpful Educational Programs

MASP (Military Academic Skills Program)

- www.petersons.com/oasc (self-paced online)
- **An on-duty refresher course**
  - Helps students refresh basic English and Math skills
- **Designed for students with GT score of 99 or below**
  - Also helps prepare for the ASVAB, SAT, or GED

Tutor.com www.tutor.com/military

- Online tutoring and homework help 24/7
- Covers everything from homework, projects, proofreading to test prep—in every subject, including algebra, calculus, geometry, trigonometry, physics, chemistry and English.
- Marines and Families can now self-register

Helpful Educational Programs

Transparent Languages

http://library.transparent.com/marines/game/modern/login

- over 90 languages, this includes 21 courses focusing on English as a Second Language (ESL).
- Open to also Civilian Marines
- Each family member must make their own account

MyCAA: www.militaryonesource.com

- A career development and employment assistance program
- For spouses of service members on active duty in pay grades E-1 to E-5, W-1 to W-2, and O-1 to O-2
- Supports spouses to pursue licenses, certificates, certifications or Associate's Degrees – must have concentration…no gen studies.

USMAP
(Military Apprenticeship Program (Journeyman's License)

- Certification through documented work experience (On the Job Training)
- No off duty hours
- Establishes credentials for civilian employment through the Dept of Labor
- Honor System
- https://usmap.cnet.navy.mil/

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This Certificate Verifies that:

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Name

At

_____

Location

On the date of: _____

Has successfully completed the College 101 course and
fully understands all information provided